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Sir:

The present communication responds to the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review mailed with the Notice of Allowance dated November 20, 2003 in the above-identified application.

In the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review mailed with the Notice of Allowance dated November 20, 2003, the Draftsperson objected to the drawings. For the reasons described below, the applicants' attorney believes the Draftsperson's objection was directed to a set of drawings that were mistakenly included in the file wrapper of the present application and are not associated with the present application.

The PAIR Image File Wrapper for the present application includes a specification, claim, abstract, and drawings all of which have an entry date of April 26, 2002, and drawings having an entry date of November 20, 2003. These documents are not part of the present application and have been erroneously included in the file wrapper of the present application. The documents appear to be related to U.S. Application No. 09/811,179 ("the '179 Application"). Applicants' attorney believes the above-mentioned objection to the drawings was directed to the drawings associated with the '179 Application and not the drawings filed in the present application on December 26, 2001. On December 19, 2003, applicants filed another copy of the originally-filed drawings to respond to the Draftsperson's objection. A copy of the originally-filed drawings is also submitted herewith. The applicants' attorney renews his request that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn so that the application may proceed to issuance. The applicants' attorney further requests that the abovementioned specification, claim, abstract, and drawings be removed from the Image File Wrapper of the present application.

If the Examiner has any questions he is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-6465.

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